# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3742
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PRICES OF MEDICINES
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

(a): whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned `Dawa ke labelon par nirdharit se jyada mulya chhap kar marijon ko loot rahe hain` appearing in the Navbharat Times dated March 22, 2000;

(b): if so, the facts of the matter reported therein alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto; Â© : whether the provisions of the Drug Price Control Order, 1995 have been violated by the Drug Manufacturing Companies; and

(d): if so, the action taken by National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority against them?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

( SHRI RAMESH BAIS )

(a) to (d) : The news item refers, among other things, to selling of some medicines at prices higher than the price fixed by the Government. The matter has been referred by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority to the Government of Haryana for investigation.